## 15 incorporated owners fined total of \$63,000 for failing to conduct annual inspections of fire service installations or equipment on their premises

The Fire Services Department (FSD) has been mounting territory-wide special enforcement actions in phases at domestic and composite buildings since July 2024. During the operation, the FSD has inspected 256 such buildings in Eastern District and issued 51 warning letters to relevant incorporated owners, reminding them to submit valid fire service installations and equipment certificates before the specified deadline.

15 incorporated owners involving 18 buildings in Eastern District (listed in the Annex) were prosecuted by the FSD for failing to conduct annual inspections of fire service installations or equipment on their premises. They were convicted and fined a total of \$63,000 at the Eastern Magistrates' Courts today (May 29).

According to the Fire Service (Installations and Equipment) Regulations, any person who owns any fire service installation or equipment installed in any premises commits an offence if they fail to have such fire service installation or equipment inspected by a registered contractor at least once every 12 months. Upon conviction, the maximum penalty is a fine of \$50,000.

The FSD will continue to conduct territory-wide special enforcement actions in various districts and remind owners of fire service installations or equipment on the premises to have such fire service installations or equipment inspected by a registered contractor at least once every 12 months.